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TAGS: XF, US, YO, PLO, EG  
SUBJECT: TITO CALLS ON PLO TO RECOGNIZE REALITY OF ISRAEL;  
CARTER LETTER TO TITO.

1. IN WHAT WE BELIEVE TO BE REAL BREAKTHROUGH IN  
PUBLIC RPT PUBLIC GOY STANCE ON MID EAST, TITO HAS  
CALLED UPON PLO AND OTHERS TO RECOGNIZE ISRAEL AS A  
REALITY. YUGOSLAV PRESS STATES THAT DURING JAN 30  
MEETING WITH VISITING EGYPTIAN FOREIGN MINISTER  
BUTROS GHALI, TITO URGED THAT "IT IS NECESSARY THAT  
THE ARAB COUNTRIES, ESPECIALLY THOSE WHICH ARE DIRECT  
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NEIGHBORS, AS WELL AS THE PLO, RECOGNIZE ISRAEL AS A  
REALITY IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS, WHICH WOULD  
CONTRIBUTE TO THE CREATION OF MUTUAL CONFIDENCE  
INDISPENSABLE IN THAT REGION." TITO ALSO  
REITERATED YUGOSLAVIA'S USUAL CRITICISM OF ISRAELI  
"INTRANSIGENCE" AND THE NEED FOR THE RETURN OF  
"ALL THE PRE-67 WAR ARAB LANDS." BUTROS GHALI WAS

SAID TO HAVE PASSED A MESSAGE FROM SADAT TO TITO,  
WHO RECEIVED HIS VISITOR AT HERCEG-NOVI DURING THE  
SECOND OF A THREE-DAY (JAN 29-31) STOP IN YUGOSLAVIA.

2. YUGOSLAV OFFICIALS HAVE BEEN TELLING US A BASIC  
DECISION WAS TAKEN BY GOY RECENTLY TO BE HELPFUL IN  
ME CURRENT SITUATION. PUBLISHING OF TITO'S REMARKS IS  
TANGIBLE EVIDENCE. IN FRANCE AND ROMANIA LAST YEAR  
TITO MENTIONED NEED FOR ISRAELI SECURITY TO BE  
GUARANTEED. BUT THIS IS FIRST TIME WE CAN REMEMBER  
ANY YUGOSLAV CALLING SPECIFICALLY AND DIRECTLY ON  
ALL ARAB COUNTRIES AND THE PLO "TO RECOGNIZE ISRAEL  
AS A REALITY." (THOUGH THIS LONG HAS BEEN THEIR VIEW IN  
PRIVATE DISCUSSIONS WITH ARABS). IT IS CERTAIN THAT  
THIS STEP WAS NOT TAKEN LIGHTLY GIVEN STRONG YUGOSLAV  
TIES WITH PLO, SYRIA, IRAQ, LIBYA AND ALGERIA AND  
CURRENT TENSION BETWEEN THEM AND EGYPT.

3. ACTION REQUESTED: IF POSSIBLE WITHOUT CREATING  
CONSIDERABLE DELAY IN ITS DELIVERY, WE WOULD LIKE TO  
AMEND PRESIDENT CARETER'S JUST RECEIVED LETTER TO TITO  
(STATE 024577 NOTAL) TO TAKE INTO ACCOUNT THIS  
MAJOR STEP BY TITO. WE PROPOSE ADDING AFTER  
PRESENT PENULTIMATE SENTENCE "YOUR WIDE EXPERIENCE... VALUABLE  
TO ME" THE FOLLOWING SENTENCE "I RECOGNIZE AND RESPECT YOUR  
STATEMANSHIP, VISION, AND COURAGE IN RECENTLY CALLING  
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UPON ALL ARAB COUNTRIES -- ESPECIALLY THOSE WHICH ARE  
DIRECT NEIGHBORS -- AND THE PLO TO RECOGNIZE  
ISRAEL AS A REALITY."  
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